# Why Should I Care About Elder Abuse?



# Student Arts Competition

In an effort to make young people aware of the tragedy of elder abuse, Attorney General Terry Goddard, the Arizona Elder Abuse Coalition and Free Arts of Arizona have partnered in the 2009 "Why Should I Care About Elder Abuse?" Student Arts Competition. Now, we need your help to raise awareness of elder abuse. High School juniors throughout Arizona are invited to write an original poem or essay, or to create an original artwork illustrating the "Why Should I Care About Elder Abuse?" message for use on a poster that will be distributed in a statewide Elder Abuse Awareness campaign in conjunction with World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, June 15, 2009.

It's time for young people to help spotlight the need to protect their grandparents, friends and neighbors from elder abuse. For information about elder abuse and the World Elder Abuse Awareness campaign visit www.azag.gov

### **Poster Category Rules**

- Poster submissions should include the "Why Should I Care About Elder Abuse?" message with an illustration.
- Use only original artwork for illustrations.
- Crayons, markers, paint and pencil are acceptable for creating contest entries.
- Posters must be on 8 ½ x II unlined paper.

### **Writing Category Rules**

- original poems or essays should answer the question,
- "Why Should I Care About Elder Abuse?"
- poems or essays must be less than 500 words
- must be typed on 8  $\frac{1}{2}$  x II unlined paper.

### All Entries – Rules and Information

Arizona high school juniors are eligible to enter.

An Entry Form must be attached to each contest entry All entries must be received by 5 p.m. on March 31, 2009. Winners will be announced in April 2009.

The winning artists will have the opportunity to appear in promotional activities, including press conferences and interviews.

The winning artwork and writings will be incorporated into a full-sized poster for use in a statewide Elder Abuse Awareness campaign.

## **Prizes**

Ist Place \$500 2nd Place \$250 3rd Place \$100 Honorable Mention (6) \$25

Cash prizes donated by Free Arts of Arizona, and Wells Fargo





